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Dear Mr Smith.

Following on from the issue specific hearings 1 & 2 held recently I find that I must write yet again in relation to these planning applications from SPR.

First I would like to say that I fully support the contributions made by the following, East Suffolk & Suffolk CC (Items 2 A&B) and councilor Marianne Fellows (ISH2 - Items 2B/C, 2D, 2E), Graeme Keen QC - SASES (Items 2C, 2D, 2E) & Fiona Gilmore - SEAS (Items 2A/B/C, 2D, 2E). With regards the actual hearings I would like to raise certain points. These are not in any particular order with regards the hearings.

1). One of the spokes persons on behalf of SPR said that the Friston area was chosen because it was becoming urbanized. To support this he mentioned the duck farm that borders onto the proposed site and the A12 road that bypasses Saxmundham. Is this the best that SPR can come up with. Their spokes person looked like a rabbit caught in the headlights as he spouted his pre planned nonsense. Suffolk is an agricultural farming county and duck farms or any other type of farm are part of the rural landscape and as for stating that the A12 a single carriageway road was intrusive into the area is laughable. What this does underline, and this has shone through in all the hearings so far, that if this is the standard and quality of the work and research that SPR put in with regards their application then it has been lazy and shoddy and therefore should be treated with great suspicion.

2). Friston Church and the War Memorial.

I am not a religious person. However there are certain things that this country can be proud of and one of those is the way we remember the sacrifice of those that fought in two world wars and other conflicts so that we as a nation and a people can live in freedom and speak freely against injustice and in this case appalling planning applications. On November 8th I went to the memorial service at Friston church to remember those who died on our behalf.

The war memorial is sited in the grounds of the church and sited in a way that means that the people gathered for the remembrance service would look out towards the planned site of the substations and any other projects that appear to be in the pipeline. What sort of legacy to leave if in the future people standing to remember those who died instead of standing in the peace and tranquility of an historic village church yard are confronted by a huge conurbation of humming industrial carnage that has destroyed the peace and tranquility of the Suffolk country side. That is URBANIZATION.

3). National Grid.

I also have to raise the matter of National Grid. What is going on here. Despite its name National Grid is not a government body but a private company that is owned by a variety of companies including American and British Hedge Funds. It appears to be pulling all the strings yet feels that it need not face any scrutiny nor answer any questions with regards its future plans for the area

or the cumulative affect their plans may have. This is not acceptable. If National Grid cannot beheld to account then the SPR applications (and they appear to be working hand in glove with Nation Grid) should be thrown out.

Our trust is in you The Planning Inspectorate to make sure that our interests and views are fully represented and that we are not side lined in the interests of corporate greed.

With best regards

David Steen.