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Our ref EN010077

Date: 24 November 2021

Dear Sir or Madam,

Application by East Anglia ONE North Limited (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed East Anglia ONE North Offshore Wind Farm and associated offshore and onshore infrastructure (“the East Anglia ONE North project”)

1. After publishing his clarification letter of 17 November 2021, the Secretary of State has received a letter from Substation Action Save East Suffolk (SASES) dated 18 November 2021 which includes a list of flood events which have taken place over the past 6 years in the Friston area. The SASES letter is included in this document as Annex A. SASES indicate they have also submitted the list to the Environment Agency but requested that the Secretary of State send the letter directly to them so that it would reach the relevant team.
2. **No response is required to this letter.**
3. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State’s consideration of whether to grant or withhold development consent for the East Anglia ONE North project. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue which is relevant to the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,

Gareth Leigh
Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning

Annex A: SASES Letter

18 November 2020

By email only

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Dear Energy Infrastructure Planning Team and Environment Agency

SCOTTISH POWER & NATIONAL GRID – EAST ANGLIA ONE NORTH AND EAST ANGLIA TWO

I refer to the letter from Gareth Leigh, Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning, to the Environment Agency dated 17 November 2021 concerning a clarification in relation to flood events at Friston. As submitted in our Written Representation at paragraph 3 of the expert report prepared by GWP Consultants.

Friston village is already vulnerable to and suffers from regular pluvial storm water runoff flood water and sediment inundation.¹ [emphasis added]

Photographs of some of the most recent flooding were included in subsequent submissions by SASES² and other Interested Parties including Mrs Mary Shipman and Mrs Sheridan Steen.

In order to assist in the identification of flood events, I have attached a list of flood events going back over the past six years. As noted there is photographic evidence which can be provided on request.

Yours sincerely

Michael Mahony

¹[https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-002859-DL1%20-%20SASES%20cover%20page%20and%20WR%20flood%20risk%20GWP Redacted.pdf](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-002859-DL1%20-%20SASES%20cover%20page%20and%20WR%20flood%20risk%20GWP%20Redacted.pdf)

²[https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-003221-sases%20deadline%203%20comments%20appendix%204%2020201217.v02%20SASESFRA%20Flood%20Risk%20Comments\(Report\)%20FINAL%20151220.pdf](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-003221-sases%20deadline%203%20comments%20appendix%204%2020201217.v02%20SASESFRA%20Flood%20Risk%20Comments(Report)%20FINAL%20151220.pdf)

Flooding events in Friston from 2015

Date	Evidence
18 September 2015	Flood report sent to SCC (internal flooding in xxxxxx House) Flood report available.
3 rd – 7 th January 2016	Photographs of flooding
16 th August 2018	Photographs of flooding
24 June 2019	Photographs of flooding
3 rd August 2019	Photographs of flooding
6 th October 2019	Photographs of flooding
21 st October 2019	Photographs of flooding
18 June 2020	Photographs of flooding
25 September 2020	Photographs of flooding
3 – 5 th December 2020	Photographs of flooding
21 st – 27 th December 2020	Photographs of flooding (from proposed substation site)
5 th January 2021	Photographs of flooding
14 th – 16 th January 2021	Photographs of flooding
15 th February 2021	Photographs of flooding
18 th June 2021	Photographs of flooding and report to SCC (internal flooding in xxxxxx House)
7 th October 2021	Photographs of flooding