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Subject: East Anglia One North (EA1N) and East Anglia Two (EA2) Offshore Wind Applications

Dear Secretary of State

I am writing to you as a resident of Friston and an Interested Party to the PINS Examinations relating to Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) EA1N and EA2 wind power applications.

I do agree that we need to move towards using more renewable forms of energy to slow the effects of global warming. I fully understand and support the use of wind power as one of these forms of energy.

Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) and National Grids proposals though, in their current form, do not have my support. If these projects go ahead as proposed along with all the other energy projects which are all going to follow the same template, the medieval village of Friston and the surrounding countryside will be lost forever.

The cumulative impact would be devastating to the community of Friston and the ecology of the area. It is not just Scottish Power who have proposed placing industrial sized sub stations in this village; already National Grid have proposed a further industrial development. There are also more projects which intend to piggy back in on the Scottish Power project.

In its current state of submission, this project cannot be regarded as green energy! The cable runs for the SPR substations are going to destroy wildlife habitat from the coast at Thorpeness all the way to Friston. This will happen numerous times, as so many projects have been proposed.

In Friston we suffer from surface water flooding. I believed that the reason we are encouraging green energy projects was to protect us from catastrophic weather events which are occurring now and will increase in the future.

These projects will substantially increase the risk of more serious flooding and on a regular basis. We will not be able to insure our properties and will get no help in trying to protect them. The mitigation proposed by SPR has no fact-based evidence to show that it can do anything to alleviate the flood risk posed by the industrial development.

The onshore aspect of the development also seriously concerns me for the scant regard shown by SPR during their preliminary excavations of areas around Friston. Nesting skylarks

were destroyed by trenching work. Either they did not realise these birds were nesting there or they did not care, but it does not bode well for any future works.

Then there is the issue of fire at the sub-station. These events happen and when they do the small on-call fire service we have located here would not be able to control the fire and it would have to burn itself out. Being located so close to a small village, the toxins released by the fire could have a serious impact on the respiratory health of the community living here.

The cumulative impact on the area of the proposed projects will be a continual growth of the industrialisation of the area , which in turn will result in a major impact to the tourism sector which plays a big part in this area.

Our footpaths and narrow leafy lanes will be swallowed up by the onshore development, lost forever.

I beg you to look at these projects and not allow the countryside to be lost to industrialisation on an unprecedented scale.

There are alternative ways of allowing the wind farms to generate their precious energy without the proposed destruction to the landscape.

I urge you to recommend a split decision:

That the offshore turbines are recommended for consent. This will mean that no time is wasted in respect of construction of the turbines.

That the onshore infrastructure is rejected in favour of full consideration of better locations for this infrastructure where the adverse impacts are minimised at a brownfield/ industrialised site.

Thank you.

Kind regards

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