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Subject: Planning Application from Scottish Power Renewables in respect of East Anglia One North

and East Anglia Two wind farms

Dear Secretary of State and Minister,

I am writing to you as a resident of Friston, Suffolk and as a supporter of wind power.

However National Grid Ventures(NGV) have decided to make the village of Friston and the surrounding beautiful countryside the epicentre for an enormous industrial development of substations to be built over the next 10 to 15 years. The cable connections for each substation need motorway wide trenches running through ANOB countryside. The attached map prepared by NGV shows the situation as it would be after just TWO of the planned EIGHT different connections at Friston.

Each substation and cabling take around 5 years to build so there would be continual disruption to our communities and business's over a wide area for 15 or more years. If allowed the developments would overshadow and ruin our village and destroy many acres of beautiful and productive farmland.

NGV have made no attempt to consider the many more suitable alternative sites for such an industrial complex. Therese Coffey has asked NGV to look at the large brownfield site at Bradwell . There are other suitable sites at Sizewell - with unused grid connections - brown field sites at Lowestoft and on local derelict airfields as well as an existing site at Bramford. The substations could be sited offshore on Sizewell bank with connections to Sizewell or to the proposed Holistic Network Design (HND)being developed by ESO.

The recommended design for an HND is due to be delivered by Imperial College Consultants together with a report on environmental and social impacts of different cable routes and landing points by environmental consultants RPS early in 2022. NGV should include the current proposals for Friston in the HND.

The Prime Minister has confirmed in Parliament that the impact of the onshore developments of the wind power industry on the local population will be kept to a minimum yet no attempt has been made to look at alternatives to the proposed site at Friston.

We have proposed to the Planning Enquiry that it recommends a split decision - as in the precedent for Triton Knoll in 2013 - to recommend the offshore aspect of the application - to allow work to commence on that section - but refuse the onshore aspect requiring NGV to reapply using a more appropriate site which should be part of the proposed HND network.

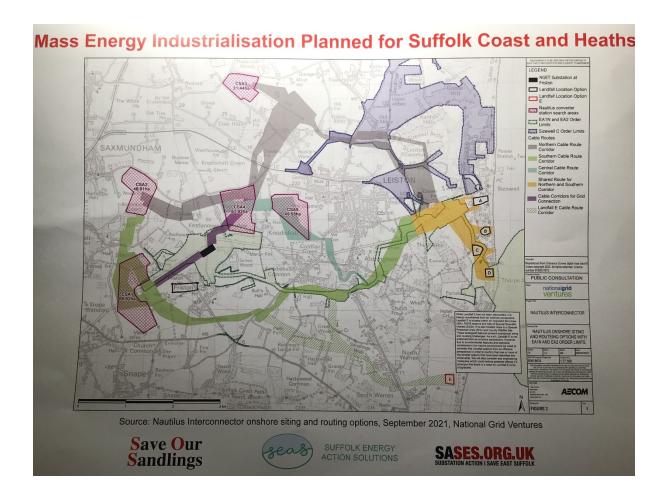
NGV say that there is no time to choose a different location but that is nonsense as the construction of the wind farms should start as scheduled and the availability of alternate onshore sites - with the added benefit of good sea access for materials at Bradwell and Lowestoft - would allow construction to be completed in the required time frame.

We cannot cope with the CUMULATIVE IMPACT of all these proposed developments at Friston and I am therefore asking you to approve the offshore element of the above proposal but refuse the onshore element and instruct NGV and SPR , and now also Nautilus, to choose a more appropriate site for all their proposed substations with links in to the proposed HND.

Yours faithfully,

Tony Morley





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