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Comments on responses to the second round of consultation and comments on responses to the SoS first

round of consultation on EAN1 and EA2 proposals

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Dear Mr Kwarteng

I am a local resident of the area that will be severely adversely impacted should permission be granted for the development of the onshore infrastructure under these proposals. The proposed drilling works threaten an already unstable and vulnerable coastline which has sadly already seen loss of life in recent years. The disruption caused by the noise, traffic, building works etc. will have devastating impacts on the residents, tourists, economy and wildlife of the area, and recovery will never be complete.

I am all in favour of creating sustainable energy and fully support the siting of offshore wind turbines, but I strongly oppose the development of the onshore infrastructure in this area. As well as containing an AONB and an SSI and an SPA, the area is heavily dependent on the tourist economy and this project will seriously detrimentally impact this. There are several brownfield sites on this coast that would be far more suitable and much less damaging than the proposed site.

The impact of the cumulative energy proposals for this area (including Nautilus and Sizewell C) has not been considered by ScottishPower renewables in its proposals. This is not only remiss but would seem to suggest that ScottishPower Renewables has consciously not included reference to this because it might harm their case, rather than, as they incorrectly assert, 'there remains insufficient evidence to undertake the assessment requested'.

Therefore, I urge you to recommend a 'split decision', granting permission for the siting of offshore wind turbines but the onshore infrastructure development is rejected.

With thanks

Best wishes

Yvonne Edge