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To: [East Anglia ONE North](#); [East Anglia Two](#)
Subject: Written representation for EA1N 20024164/EA2N20024159
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Dear Sir,

I am an avid supporter of renewable energy, especially offshore wind. In order to keep the public on side I believe it is imperative that the UK govt ensures the onshore connections are undertaken in the least environmentally damaging way. It is apparent there has been no joined up thinking by government on how all the many offshore projects will land onshore. Leaving that decision to the developer and national grid inevitably means the cheaper option will be taken over the least detrimental to the environment. This now means East Suffolk's AONB is to fall victim to multiple energy projects over a period of potentially 10 to 20 years making a total mockery of all its many environmental designations and the government's own 25 year environment plan.

The National Planning Policy Framework states that damage to an AONB should be avoided so it is impossible to accept that there is no alternative to digging up miles of the AONB with 60 metre trenches, ripping out hedges chopping down trees, destroying habitats, displacing and killing wildlife on its way ending up with extensive substations plonked on farmland at the edge of Friston a rural village. Not only will there be a negative visual impact on the AONB, the area will also suffer from a Net Biodiversity Loss. This shows there must be a national review so that all the offshore energy projects in East Anglia are integrated into a UK plan resulting in as much infrastructure as possible being located offshore via a hub or offshore ring-main and any onshore infrastructure must be on brownfield sites. The UK government has the opportunity to ensure the least environmentally damaging options are taken and therefore must take responsibility and propose where these sites must be rather than leaving to the developer to decide.

I am particularly concerned on the impact of the proposed cable route affecting negatively on Thorpeness cliffs eroding coastline. I am also concerned that the works on the River Hundred will impact the fen Marshes at RSPB North Warren foraging ground and home to many common and rare species of flora and fauna.

I would like it noted that all the consultations for the various energy projects and now the DCO for EA1N and EA2N running alongside the hideous EDF Sizewell C DCO (which now also includes another consultation) coupled with the covid pandemic has taken a terrible toll on the mental health and well-being of East Suffolk residents. The area is much loved by residents and visitors supporting a lucrative and sustainable tourist industry which has obviously struggled during these difficult times. Personally I do not think the tourist industry or the heritage coast will survive the cumulative impact if all the proposed energy projects are given approval in their current forms.

Yours faithfully,
Jennifer Wilson

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