

I strongly object to the planning application made by Scottish Power Renewables for substations at Friston. I do not believe planning the Infrastructure of our country's energy needs should be allowed to continue piece meal and that we should pause this process and wait for the BEIS review on how these projects are co-ordinated and delivered.

The government sets out plans to make the U.K the world leader in "clean" wind energy and yet allows this planning process to continue!

Site Selection:

The use of unspoilt countryside at Friston for huge substations up to 18m high and the size of Wembley stadium is wholly unsuitable.

Sited just metres from listed buildings and the beautiful village of Friston.

Substations dangerously close and dominating a small village liable to flooding. Flooding becoming increasingly worse with climate crisis.

Cable trenches and haul roads too close to residential homes.

11Km of cable trenches, destroying environmentally sensitive areas

Severing the Suffolk Coast and Heaths AONB causing problems to migrating species and severing the wildlife corridor.

The cumulative impact, Environmental and Economic

Of this project (EAN1 & EAN2) the 6 interconnectors planned at Friston

Nautilus

Eurolink

Greater Gabbard Extension

Galloper

SCD1 SCD2

Plus

EDF Sizewell C & D

Decommissioning of Sizewell A

Re locating Sizewell B facilities

Upgrading of Pylons and overhead lines

Traffic & Transport

The local road network is totally unsuitable for the high traffic levels and more HGVs and associated construction traffic

Air pollution from the HGV's.

Emergency Services will be hindered inevitable delays will endanger lives

Junctions on the A12 are already dangerous accident sites in particular the Junction at Friday Street/A12/Aldeburgh Road

and junction close to me at B1119 and A12 which is hazardous without the added traffic from this and the other projects planned (8 substations, and 2 new nuclear reactors at Sizewell as above)

Local villages and B roads will become rat runs to avoid the congested A12 making B roads less safe also.

Exacerbated by a total lack of public transport in many of the local villages (there is no public transport in my village of Rendham)

Impact on tourism. DMO report says traffic congestion and related issues would deter tourists from coming to the area. Causing irreparable damage to local businesses. Loss of trade, visitor income, and jobs leading to social and economic decline.

Environmental Impact on wildlife and biodiversity. I am concerned how this project interferes with the local wildlife, severing the countryside. the impact on biodiversity must be fully assessed.

A continuous hum from the substation may affect migrating birds, owls and bats to name just a few.

Environmental impact on marine wildlife

Just because WE can't see these effects does not make them any less important.

Light pollution

Suffolk is famous for its amazing dark skies, this and the many other projects threaten to change this forever.

I understand there are other options for this project. A ring main at sea or the use of a brownfield site at Bradwell. We need to make sure all avenues are fully explored before we make a decision on this application. The future is in our hands let's get in right!