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To: East Anglia ONE North

Cc: <u>East Anglia Two; Williams, Emre</u>
Subject: East Anglia One North and East Anglia 2

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to protest in the strongest possible terms about the proposed despoiling of our countryside along the AONB where my wife and I have lived for all of our lives. There are many considerations which have not been sufficiently studied prior to putting the above proposals in for planning. I list them hereunder;

Traffic – having said that no HGV lorries would be sent down the A1094 to the Tesco roundabout in Aldeburgh the Applicant (SPR) have now admitted that there will be a need for them to go down into town and then along the Aldeburgh/Leiston road. This could lead to up to 300 Heavy aggregate lorry movements going into Aldeburgh every day during peak construction. That is one nearly every two minutes

In order to try to facilitate the extra traffic at the A12 Friday Street junction SPR have proposed to put in traffic lights to help regulate the traffic. As we all know this will cause huge tailbacks around the junction adding considerably to the journey time into Aldeburgh.

Traffic will increase to approximately one vehicle every 4 seconds – currently it is estimated to be 1 every 11 seconds. Traffic will be running 6 days a week from 7.00am to 7.00pm however, this may have to be 7 days a week at times of peak work.

Due to the cable routes having to cross the Aldeburgh/Leiston road at Aldringham it is likely that there will be long term traffic management, including road closure, that will also cause long delays on this route.

Tourism...SPR acknowledge that tourism is going to be impacted in the Suffolk Coastal area due to the construction work. However in a study carried out by an SPR representative, they believe that the loss of visitors/income to the local area Aldeburgh/Thorpeness/Snape and the local villages can be mitigated by their workers using the B&B and hotel accommodation.

This will have a direct impact on the number of visitors that may wish to visit the area,

It became very apparent that the organization that had carried out this tourism modelling had not visited the area and had not considered the Golf Clubs, Snape Maltings, Thorpeness Meare, Yacht Clubs etc.

As yet SPR have not carried out any test drilling on the Coraline crag off Thorpeness to see if it is possible to land the cables without causing major collapse of the cliffs.

It is also very worrying that in addition to the plans for East Anglia One North and East Anglia TWO plus National Grids interconnector, there is now written evidence that National Grid are

approaching other energy providers and encouraging them to bring their cabling ashore at Thorpeness and to build their substations at Friston. If these 8 energy projects do go ahead, then it is likely that the effects on the area will be devastating and the construction cabling work could last for the next 15 years. This of course does not include the Sizewell C effect. The cumulative impact of SPR, Sizewell C plus the construction of the 3rd River Crossing at Lowestoft and the proposed building of 800 houses at Saxmundham – Saxmundham Garden Village plus further industrial sites at Saxmundham are going to change forever our Heritage Coast.

It is not that we are against Offshore Windfarms it is just that there are alternative ways that the generated power can be harnessed offshore or brought ashore at a brownfield site. For example, there is a large field at the junction of Lovers Lane and Sizewell Road to the North of "Halfway Cottages" and to the East of "Crown Farm" which would be far more suitable for the proposed work which is programmed for Friston. The High voltage cables from Sizewell pass right over this field, and it would save ruining miles of countryside en route to, and in the neighbourhood of Friston itself.

Please give the foregoing urgent consideration before taking a step which will negatively affect the lives of many people in this beautiful area.

Tours faithfully,

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