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To: [East Anglia Two](#); [East Anglia ONE North](#)
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Dear Mr Smith

I have very recently had the SEAS complaint drawn to our attention. It makes depressing, but not surprising, news. I am aware of people who have been paid by SPR to accept similar clauses preventing them from objecting. They say that SPRs agents tell them that “consent is a foregone conclusion – you might as well accept our payment because if you don’t you will get a lot less later on”. These are people who would have objected but who are now scared to come forward for fear of being sued and are sorry that they accepted the payments and agreed to the gagging clause.

The point made in the SEAS letter that there is a difference between payments made for genuine planning purposes and payment made to undermine a statutory process must, surely, be right.

I know that you have taken many steps, in these difficult and trying circumstances, to ensure that to the best of your ability the investigation is fair and objective. But it simply cannot be right that this process, which is a very difficult one indeed for those opposing SPR, is being undermined in this clandestine way.

I would like to echo the request made to you to investigate SPR’s behaviour. I am sure that we would all be most interested to know how much in total has been paid out by SPR for gagging clauses and how this relates to the total sum that SPR claims it has made so generously by way of compensation or contribution to the local economy?

Finally, can I just say that I was grateful to you and your colleagues for visiting [REDACTED] and for accurately reflecting my concerns as to the way in which SPR has portrayed the position of [REDACTED], in your recent questions to SPR.

Thank you for your attention.

Best wishes

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