



24th February 2021

Dear Mr Rynd Smith and PINS Team,

Your Ref: EN010077 and EA010078

My Ref: 20023836 and 20023768

DEADLINE 6 Submission.

I would like to respond to Action Point 2. The Planning Balance from Open Floor Hearing 6.

I am in favour of Offshore Wind power but not at any price. I therefore call upon the Examining Authority to recommend to the Secretary of State a 'split decision' so that:

1. The Offshore Turbines are recommended for consent. I am in full support of renewable energy and have no objections to the offshore elements of these DCO applications with the proviso all installations are acceptable to stakeholder concerns over the statutory purposes of the AONB affecting by these proposals.
2. The Offshore infrastructure is rejected in favour of full consideration of better locations for this infrastructure where the adverse impacts are minimalized at a brownfield site.

I am an interested party and have participated throughout the course of the meetings and hearings over the past two years. One thing has become abundantly clear, the cumulative impact of the onshore infrastructure scheme if granted will have a devastating impact on the environment, local community and economy. This is needless vandalism of a small area of Suffolk. There are alternative brownfield sites available which would avoid the destruction caused by SPR's use of this area.

Offshore wind farms are of vital importance for the future sustainability of this country's future. Carbon emissions have to be reduced to meet the government's 2030 target. There is still time for Scottish Power Renewables, the National Grid and the Business Energy and Industrial Strategy to reorganize this planning application without jeopardizing these targets.

A 'split decision' would mean that no time is wasted with respect to the construction of the offshore turbines but would give the opportunity to rethink the onshore aspects of this project to fall in line with current government aspirations.

I, respectfully, urge you to reject SPR's onshore application for the substations at Friston and its associated onshore cable runs.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Courage