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## **DEADLINE 9 SUBMISSION**

## EA1N 20023129 and EA2 20023173.

These remarks apply to both East Anglia One North and East Anglia Two

I want to bring it to the Planning Inspectorates attention that some of the safety risks which I have already raised in previous reports to them regarding the horses which live at Ness House have unfortunately over the last week already taken place.

The first being an act of cruelty which was put upon one of the ponies on 13/4/21. The pony in question was made to endure loud noise and movement of a digger right beside his field shelter for a whole day. The Contractors had the whole field to put this digger and they chose to put it right beside this poor pony who through health reasons is confined to a small paddock with a field shelter. So when the owner came to attend to it in the evening you can imagine the horror she endured when she found her poor little pony a hot quivering wreck cowering in his field shelter obviously very distressed. Nobody was informed that this work was going to commence. The Contractors had been there the day before the least they could have done was inform her or even ask if it would upset the animals.

Apparently the Contractors took it upon themselves to decide what would be suitable for the horses welfare in the location of the digger. Since when have they become wise enough in horsemanship, surely the owner knows how her own pony is going to react in these circumstances.

Photographic evidence has been taken of this digger so close to this poor pony as evidence.

Also my own horses were put under distress as when I arrived to get them in I found them charging around the field. One of the horses has had an operation on her leg at Newmarket and must be kept quiet and not race around under vets instructions. On trying to get these horses in I was nearly kicked and knocked over. This is exactly what I said would happen luckily no-one this time was injured however this is only the testing work.

These incidents have now been logged and reported to the RSPCA and they have logged this down as complaints against Scottish Power they have informed us if any of these horses get injured in anyway through this work they will have to intervene and take action.

The RSPCA have told us it may be in our interest to inform the Horse Welfare Organisation as they to will be concerned over the distress which is being inflicted upon these horses

The British Horse Society has also been made aware and this has been passed onto there Welfare Department. We are awaiting there comments

I have to walk my horse out in hand at present under vets instructions. I will have no choice but to go past men working all around me on the fields and vehicles with flashing lights parked up on the tracks. It is becoming increasingly difficult to control my horse with all this going on. I have no

confidence in these workers to make sure that they do nothing to upset my horse and to cause her to bolt which could cause more damage to her and to myself and any pedestrians. The contractors will need to respect the safety of horses on tracks as farmers with tractors and other machinery do, by stopping until we have passed."

The communication between Scottish Power, contractors and people closely affected is not efficient. For an operation of this level and size there needs to be better communication skills instead of being passed from one person to another. I have complained but as of now have heard nothing directly from Scottish Power. Surely an operation of this size should be more effective and professional. There is supposed to be a liaison officer for the surveys but we don't know who it is.

Another point is Contractors have already trespassed on land they have not been given permission for. Yet another sign of lack of communication and showing how unprofessional they are.

## Deadline 9 submission

If these are the people who are going to be responsible for building this project which will affect us for years, I am very fearful about the future.

If Scottish Power are showing no compassion or consideration for these poor horses with the cruelty and distress they are already inflicting on them what hope has the wildlife or landscape got. Its obvious they are not going to care about them.

Surely there is enough evidence to show how inadequately this project is planned and how much risk it poses.

