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Dear Mr Kwarteng

I want to express my concern about the plans to connect wind generated power in the North Sea to the National Grid in Suffolk. Firstly I would like to state very clearly that I am in favour of renewable energy. What I object to is the plans to site a massive substation in the AONB near Friston, a beautiful medieval village and drive cabling through beaches, cliffs and unreplaceable natural habitat between Thorpeness and Friston.

Suffolk is a county that relies heavily on nature based tourism. This coastal part of Suffolk is the centre of the tourist economy attracting visitors because of its rare heathland habitats, it's birds and the peace and quiet that restores us. Ploughing massive trenches and building a huge eyesore makes a mockery of local businesses never mind the AONB and nearby SSSI - what is the point of designating an area AONB if it can be desecrated like this?

I understand that there are brownfield sites that are viable alternatives for the substation that would not require damaging habitat that has taken centuries to build and can never be recovered.

I urge you to opt for a split decision on the Scottish Power proposals. I encourage you to support the proposals for the turbines offshore but to reject the onshore proposals, to seek a better solutions for the substation in an area more suited to industrialisation. This way we can benefit from renewable energy and better mitigate the adverse effects of developing the infrastructure.

Kind regards

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