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Norfolk Vanguard

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Dear Planning Inspectorate,

In the absence of being able to speak in person at the recent open hearings, I would like to submit our ongoing concerns regarding this proposal.

Our greatest concern still relates to a lack of data and research regarding EMF's and the crossing point of cables near our property. We do not believe the Applicant has provided sufficient evidence that they understand how the combination and crossing of cables will impact the environment or public health. We maintain that it is their responsibility to demonstrate that the proposals are entirely safe for our family and the communities and environment of Norfolk as a whole. Scientific evidence still points to a correlation between EMF's and cancer.

We do not feel that the current approach regarding the cable route and traffic management is reasonable or indeed viable given the small but busy country road on which we live with Cawston on one side and Reepham on the other. Manoeuvring through both Cawston and Reepham can be tricky as a car driver. The suggestion that either location could withstand the volume and size of vehicles required to implement this project are simply unrealistic. Our own property vibrates considerably when farm vehicles pass by, we cannot imagine the impact of sustained large vehicles on these roads for any of the local residents along the route.

It is still unclear to us the level and timescale of disruption that can be expected in each location along the route. As we are positioned at the proposed crossing site for all 3 of the current proposed developments, with our house being surrounded on all sides by cable routes (in the case of Norfolk Vanguard these will be less than 40 metres from our home), this is of great concern in terms of noise, light and air pollution as well as the visual impact and logistical issues of travelling to and from our own home. I am self-employed and as such our house is both our family home and my place of work. Therefore we will be enduring any disruptions that take place 24hrs a day, 7 days a week for the entire life cycle of the project.

Given the recent level of interest in an off shore ring main and the numerous concerns raised by Norfolk residents regarding the devastating impact this project is going to have on people's life's and communities we very much hope that these proposals are placed on hold to allow other alternatives due consideration. If they are not then at the very least we hope the Applicant will be required to fully address the concerns that have been raised and remain unresolved through this process.

Should this proposal go ahead, we would like to know who will ensure the Applicant delivers exactly what has been outlined. For example, should we discover EMF levels are higher than predicted, what happens? What action will be taken and by whom - where will accountability sit? This applies to many aspects of the project - who will hold the Applicant accountable and what punitive measures will be taken if they deviate from what has been proposed and agreed?

Finally, we would like to highlight that this proposal is already having a hugely negative impact on many peoples life's and continues to do so. The stress and anxiety is significant, especially for those of us who fear for the health of our children and families, who are

concerned about the financial impact on our homes and communities and for those of us who are passionate about Norfolk and its beautiful, vibrant countryside and do not want to see it torn apart to accommodate needless trenches of plastic and cabling - especially when viable, less damaging alternatives exist.

Kind Regards Laura & Richard Philpott

