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Dear Planning Inspectorate

There are many aspects of the Norfolk Vanguard project that worry and scare me, both in the short and long term. I have written to you at the various stages of this process in order to register my opinions.

I have looked to Vattenfall to impart information 100% galvanised from flaws, ambiguity, inaccuracies, 'spin' and to give open and honest dialogue. I have looked to VF to act with integrity and to treat with respect the people whose lives will be irreversibly and negatively affected by the construction of the proposed substations.

I have felt let down at each step of my first hand experiences of dialogue within face to face meetings at our family farm, the formal meetings and written correspondence with Vattenfall. I have not felt reassured or taken seriously. I have been given generic responses irrelevant to our family and our village and the county. I have not been able to access answers of clarity and finality. Why is VF determined to place the Necton Substation so close to homes in a village that cannot support it?

The proposed substation, which is likely to become almost redundant and outdated in its own construction time, will cruelly obliterate and kill our countryside and wildlife and I am very concerned as to the effects upon the mental health and well being of local residents, especially those already living with these health problems who, with no choice, have to endure living through these 10 years of construction and everything thus far not quite known, that will accompany such a construction of this scale, and then have to live with the permanent results. If the construction goes ahead, then is this to be the start of other substations being situated at Necton which we have not yet been advised of, using the go ahead on this construction in order to 'piggy-back' others.

The size of the substation (the world's largest) will be approx. 77 acres/6-7 Wembley football stadiums, buildings will be 63' tall with 80' lightning conductors from ground level, which will exceed the tops of the buildings by a further 17'. How can this be thought to be acceptable and allowed to be situated in residential areas close to homes. Irreversible. Scars on the landscape for future generations to inherit and live with, after we have also suffered this in our own lifetimes. The negative impact upon individuals, businesses/ leisure businesses will, I feel be unprecedented.

VF has only been able to supply meagre representations of what the finished constructions may look like, and they leave far too much un-represented and open to imagination. Mitigation by tree planting unrealistic at best. How can 63' tall buildings be disguised by tree planting, and at best, whatever mitigation is planned will take years to become fully effective, even to fulfil its inadequate potential.

I wonder if the experts we have been speaking with from VF would,

1. Come and live in the villages to be so grossly affected, for the construction duration (maybe 10 years)
2. Be prepared to experience living with the upheaval and potential problems eg, HGV's totally unsuitable for the tiny country roads, blocking of roads, hindering emergency services access.
3. Be prepared to live with the threat of houses potentially suffering structural damage caused by HGV lorries
4. Like to experience how it feels to become exposed to these circumstances which could cause stress and mental health problems, especially to those already suffering these conditions.

VF would then be able to quote from real experience and not from statistics.

I thoroughly respect the PINS process and the grave responsibility attached to analysing opinions regarding the proposed construction, and my 1 - 4 points are not spoken with light heartedness.

The cable corridors (corridor seems a gentle word) are of almost unimaginable size and scale, ripping

up precious agricultural land. The size of the cables is hard to take on board and I worry about EMF emissions, and do not trust that they are safe. Could an ORM please be considered in order to reduce such invasive infrastructure being necessary. I fear that if an ORM is not seriously explored or used, then a president will be set for the future, even if it is not actually the right way forward. It will then be too late to address.

The need for green energy is of course of the hugest importance to us, our future generations and to the planet. We simply need clean and sustainable alternatives. I totally support this. Please though would you consider the way that this enormous responsibility is being handled. It feels as if profit is the key driver and is trampling over common sense and proper consideration to the short and long term effects. It would be so wrong and erroneous for this proposal to move forward in its present form and I ask you please to protect us from the inadequacies of VF's plans. Please consider an ORM both for the sakes of ourselves, future generations and the planet.

Thank you for your attention.

Kind regards

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