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Good afternoon,

**RE: Hornsea Project Three - Letter to Planning Inspectorate form Richard Bacon MP**

Please find attached a letter from Richard Bacon MP regarding Hornsea Project Three Offshore Windfarm. Mr Bacon would be grateful if his comments could be noted as part of the Specific Hearings which start next week on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018.

A hard copy follows by post.

Mr Bacon would also be grateful for an acknowledgement on receipt.

Thank you for your help.

With best regards,

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To Whom It May Concern,

I met recently with local Swardeston Parish Councillors to listen to their concerns regarding the Orsted Hornsea 3 National Infrastructure application.

As I understand it, South Norfolk District Council, Norfolk County Council, Broadland District Council and North Norfolk District Council (as Host Authorities), have already submitted relevant representations to the Planning Inspectorate which sets out their general view. The Local Impact reports, Statement of Common Ground and answers to the Examination Bodies questions were submitted on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

The Specific Hearings start next week on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, when Council Officers including the Senior Planning Officer, Landscape Architect and Senior Conservation and Design Officer will be representing South Norfolk Council.

The main concern for South Norfolk Council and local residents is the size and scale of the substation/converter due to its impact on heritage assets; the visual and residential amenities of this part of South Norfolk.

Whilst the detailed design and materials of the substation/converter do not form part of the application, they do give the maximum design parameters that have been provided. The scale of the building is dependent on the electricity current selected. The HVAC scenario: main building is 220m if a single building, - and if multiple buildings, no more than 150m in length, maximum width 75m but with a reduced height of 15m.

In contrast, the HVDC scenario; 220m by 75m with a height of 25m is a significant increase on the maximum parameters of the building provided under the PIER consultation, which was 150m by 30m by 25m in height.

South Norfolk Council has urged through its submissions, that the substation is constructed using technologies that would allow for its height to be kept as low as possible. There is a significant difference between HVDC height of 25m and HVAC height of 15m. It would be difficult to mitigate against the impact of a 25m high substation due to its sheer scale in terms of landscaping.

I fully support my constituents in this matter and would urge you in the strongest possible terms to take these comments into account.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Bacon MP