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Dear Planning Inspectorate

During the site inspections yesterday the applicant said they did not consider and were not interested in private individual views, only public views.

This was devastating and unexpected for us if it is the legal position.

All throughout this application and the Vanguard one, the applicant has assured us collectively and individually that they care deeply about every one of us, and will be at pains to make the process as painless as possible. Now we are told that we are of no concern whatsoever.

They also went to great pains during their site selection period to show every person who attended their presentations and workshops what views they would see from their individual homes. They should have added after every viewing, 'there you can see it', and we don't care – if they were being honest.

They then assured us that mitigation would be thorough and ensure that those views would be hidden.

During the application for Boreas they have repeatedly stated (while being recorded) that 'no-one' in Ivy Todd or Necton would see the substations.

Do they have some new definition of the word 'no-one'? Are we, individually less than no-one to them? If this is so why have they sought our feedback, to obviously just dismiss it?

No wonder we feel ignored and belittled and manipulated, for to pretend that the effects on us individually, or collectively as residents on villages are of concern, so that we will be falsely reassured is manipulative to the highest degree.

The views of 'the public', if they are all that is cared about from the A47 and from Holme Hale cannot be denied, and as far away as Swaffham (because if Dudgeon is seen, as it is, from Swaffham, then there can be no doubt that Vanguard and Boreas and the NG extensions) will be seen as well.

I understand Julian Pearson is going to send you photographs of how Boreas and Vanguard will be seen from the public road in Holme Hale, and you saw for yourself the views to the public from the A47.

This comment by the applicant explains why they're concentrating their mitigation plans to the west of the development, and not between it and dwellings. If we had been told this was the case before then our suggestions of site inspections would have been very different.

The applicant has carefully cherry-picked public viewpoints which will mostly not show the development, happy in the knowledge that we have been duped into focusing on the effects to private homes, we too could have selected worst case scenarios for the public instead, had we known that individual views are to be ignored.

People walking along Chapel Road and Ivy Todd Road may well see the substations – they certainly will from the houses and gardens. One has to ask the question, how many private individuals must see a thing before it is considered 'public'.

The worst omission on the site inspection (because in ignorance none of us suggested it to you and would have done had we realised the situation) is Lodge Lane South. This is a public track and anyone who wishes can and does walk along it as far as Lodge Farm (some people use it daily for dog-walking). The substations will be seen from the entire length of the lane and the view from the gate of both Vanguard and Boreas will be all-encompassing and dominating.

Not only this but it is well-known locally that Lodge Lane North should also be a public right of way and historically this track (which passes right through the middle of the proposed development), was used to walk all the way to Little Fransham. It was never legally 'stopped up'. There were hopes of reinstating the whole track, which eventually leads to the Goggles Lane area and on to Little Fransham from there.

Currently it is accepted that Lodge Lane South is public domain.

Regards
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