This DCO application should be refused. The cumulative impact of these projects together with Hornsea Three, Vanguard and Boreas means that too high a price will be paid by the local communities and environment. The projects would be far more acceptable if connection to the grid was via Walpole.

National Grid has stated that its proposed East Anglia GREEN project is a consequence of the Equinor SEP and DEP projects which indicates that Equinor has assumed (pre-determined) that East Anglia GREEN will go ahead.

The DCO proposes various construction Scenarios but only scenarios 1d and 2 are acceptable in terms of minimising damage to the environment.