SUB STATION ACTION

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This is an impassioned plea for people to join us to protest about SPR's proposals for substations at Friston to accommodate the energy generated by their East Anglia Two (EA2) and East Anglia (EA1N) offshore windfarms.

It is most important to register your interest with the National Planning Inspectorate (PINS) by signing up for their updates and then making representations by accessing their two websites:

infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/ projects/eastern/east-anglia-two-offshorewindfarm

infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov. uk/projects/eastern/east-anglia-one-north-offshore-windfarm

There are two separate applications and this is not a difficult or forbidding process.

This can also be easily done by going to the SASES.org.uk website and clicking on the links on their home page.

It is important because SPR has submitted its latest proposals in applications for two Development Consent Orders (DCOs) for acceptance by PINS. Indeed, the proposals should already be published on these two websites.

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

To make sure both Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council maintain their objections to the Scottish Power projects not to forget the National Grid Interconnectors, the expansion of the Galloper and Greater Gabbard windfarms and the Crown Estates Round 4 windfarms please email the following councillors. It very important to do this in the next few weeks.

East Suffolk Council

- Leader Steve Gallant - - steve.gallant@



- Craig Rivett Deputy Leader <u>craig.</u> <u>rivett@eastsuffolk.gov.uk</u>
- James Mallinder Member for the Environment <u>James.Mallinder@</u> eastsuffolk.gov.uk
- T J Haworth-Culf Our District Councillor
- Terry-Jill.Haworth-Culf@eastsuffolk.gov.uk
- Jocelyn Bond Our District Councillor -Jocelyn.Bond@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Suffolk County Council

- Matthew Hicks Leader <u>matthew.hicks@</u> <u>suffolk.gov.uk</u>
- Richard Rout Cabinet Member for the Environment Richard.Rout@suffolk.gov.uk
- Andrew Reid Our County Councillor Andrew.Reid@suffolk.gov.uk

There is also our local MP (assuming she is re-elected).....

Dr. Therese Coffey - therese.coffey.mp@parliament.uk

WHAT YOU MUST DO BY 27 JANUARY 2020

The amount of information is daunting and initial representations will have to be made to PINS by 27 January 2020. It is suggested that you read the Non-technical Summary when it is released and use that as your base document.

SASES will be holding a public meeting early in the New Year to brief residents and help you write your objections. More information on this to follow.

Please understand that we are not against renewable energy. Neither do we object to Lowestoft becoming a hub for the offshore operations and benefiting from inward investment. The North Sea will always be there. What we object to is the chaotic and short-sighted vandalism of the quiet and peaceful rural environment in which we live when this is completely unnecessary.

The rural landscapes around Friston will be lost forever. And this is not just about

Friston. The pictures show the Bramford substation north of Ipswich which was originally to be the receiving point for the two offshore operations now proposed. That is what is going to hit this area. That requires cabling from the land access at Thorpeness, seven miles wending its way through Areas of Natural Beauty and affecting all rural communities between Sizewell and Aldeburgh. The cabling is a massive process involving trenching corridors and haul roads, each some 32 metres wide. So, there will be haul roads and cable trenches like those shown above and along those routes consolidated construction sites to house equipment, vehicles and storage.

And that is not all. A National Grid substation is included in the Friston proposals and that is under consideration to become a cabling link for two other major energy projects, the National Grid interconnectors. Nautilus is already in the public domain with plans being prepared for another, Eurolink. Both are to accommodate the import and export of power between the UK and Europe. These are meant to be "green" energy projects! The picture shows what an interconnector looks like. They need to be close to the shoreline, up to 26 metres high and require an area of 12 acres for each site. Where will they go? Then there is the necessary cabling routes and haul roads. We reckon that this area of AONB will be dug up five times! And then there are the proposals for expanding existing offshore windfarms and the next generation of windfarms. Where and when will it all end?

Many of you will have moved here to be able to enjoy its beauty, peace and tranquillity, as do thousands of visitors each year who bring much needed income and employment to the area.

So, please make your voices heard over the coming months by making representations to your MP, Suffolk County and East Suffolk Councillors and PINS.







Visuals of SPR Bramford EA1 Substation (nearing completion), an HVDC Interconnector (NG Kent to Belgium link) and typical HVAC cable trench, (4 of these needed for access to the Friston site)