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My special numbers are...East Anglia One North 20024524 and for East Anglia Two 20024531.

Having now managed to listen to most of the recordings from the March round of Issue Specific Hearings, I feel exhausted and as fed up as you inspectors probably are. Exhausted because my brain is not familiar with the level of mind numbing detail that Scottish Power has managed to get its experts like ' " (your predictive text did this) to produce, detail which is all supposed to prove that this keep calling project is totally tenable and Ok, and fed up because the voice of those who know and care about the area seem to have so little traction in this process. Read what we all say, you might, but is it going to make any difference to the outcome? I think SASES, SEAS, etc have all been very fair, and very helpful in the practical detail that they have provided, and polite given that they represent the population that do not want this DCO to be granted. Otherwise what I heard seemed to show you all bending over backwards to accommodate SPRs failures in the detail of this process. They appear to have left every option they could open, and deliberately refused to look at all of the things you and other stakeholders have asked them to. Despite the SPR experts waxing lyrical, what you have to remember is that they are a foreign private company seeking to make money for their shareholders. None of the people working for them know the area; some still think that Leiston is pronounced 'Lay-stone' and still insist on calling the Friston substation site "Sizewell". To SPR, this area could be absolutely anywhere.. its just a question, rather like the ugly sisters in the fairytale Cinderella, of forcing their way into the glass slipper, proving it can be done...it doesn't really matter if the heel smashes and the toe breaks open, their mission is accomplished. These people have been aided and abetted by our council... they think they have struck gold getting a payment of £1.75 million, the price of a small house in London, in exchange for their silence and agreement... Its absolute chicken feed and i am embarrassed that they settled for so little.

I enclose some pictures of the last Transformer that was bought to Sizewell, in 2016. It only weighed 170 tonnes and was on a 20 Axle trailer. It got stuck on the corner of Abbey Road and Lovers Lane for several hours so it is obviously not going to work to bring a 400 ton one that way. By comparison with SPRs transformers this is a really small one... I heard the council bending over backwards to accomodate it being taken through Leiston but he also said that the roads might be ok once or twice but NOT if other projects were going to put at Friston. There is a lot of evidence that several other projects have been offered a connection at Friston but despite the examiners asking the applicants to consider the cumulative effect on the area of their project and others, they have so far only managed to vaguely consider the Sizewell C project and Nautilus .

I also enclose a picture of a cairn made on the beach from Coralline Crag as you may not know what it looks like. I would put a bit in the post for you to see but i gather you cant accept things like this as all still working from home. This stuff breaks off and is found all over the beach, its not hard like a pebble, more like sandstone, easily breakable. it begs the

question why, if the Nuclear Industry regard this as being integral to the safety of Sizewell B, SPR is even allowed to consider drilling through it?

I was always taught not to get lost in the fine detail, that its also important to stand back and look at the bigger picture; It seems that SPR could get into the Friston site but at what cost?.Is this area really suitable? Surely theres a better option? There was an accident only today at Snape involving an HGV... what is it going to be like when HGVs from Scottish Power, the EDF Sizewell C site and others are hurtling round an area that is densely packed with tourists.... tourists who don't know and don't understand what's going on because theyre only here for a week or two...Scottish Powers idea of issuing warning notices for cars parked on double yellow lines is frankly absurd..

Comparison with the Bramfield site surely highlights how close the site is to the village, the terrible road network..the difficulty of accessing the site. .. as our MP Therese Coffey points out, it is only on the table as a site because of National Grids mistakes, that the cables were originally meant to come in via Bawdsey and go to Bramford. I hope you are able to pull right back and look at the situation from a much more informed position than I can occupy, and of course I hope that the inspectorates decision is to make a split ruling which would give National Grid a steer to find a more suitable site upon which to put these substations. I went to the BEAIS review about offshore solutions; technology is moving so fast that each wind farm having its own cabling and substation on the land is already pretty much an obsolete option...I concur with the final statements from SEAS and SASES and hope that you will issue a split decision to allow and encourage SPR to embrace the new technology.

With thanks for your forbearance and patience,

Henrietta Palmer







