From:
To: Hornsea Project Three
Cc:
Subject: Re: Written submission
Date: 25 March 2019 20:14:16

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find, below, a written copy of my oral representation to this evening's hearing.

"In the attached written submission I urge the ExA to recommend that, if consent be given for the project to be developed, it should be solely using HVDC transmission.

Furthermore, failing this, the required mitigations of the HVAC booster station be seriously increased, well beyond that which the applicant has put forward. In particular in respect of noise and vibration.

I am here trying to make my representation for the second time. The ExA has still not allowed me to become an Interested Party despite my being an elected representative of over 7,000 people – roughly 25% of whom would be deemed Interested Parties definitively.

My earlier representation was made on behalf of over 100 local people, other elected councillors, all six affected parish councils in my division, and the Member of Parliament.

It was rejected on a technicality! I was told this was because it was written before the application was submitted.

That's sort of the point! Virtually nothing has changed!

Hundreds took part in the public consultation run by the applicant and yet people are angry, and they feel misled. There are dozens of people engaged full time on the applicant's side. What about us? Do we rely on our local – unpaid – parish councillors' professional and academic experiences?

We don't stand a chance! Much more effort needs to be made to bring in the views of those affected. In this, as in so many matters of national government, we normal people do not understand how it is possible for such little long-term thinking to be being applied.

I stress this in order to be absolutely certain that this representation is accepted. There are a lot of people who don't see why Vattenfall can agree to DC but Orsted cannot. And likewise that Vattenfall can enter into open negotiation on the possibility of providing dark fibre – capable of providing hundreds of gigabits of connectivity to every property all along the route. But Orsted refused to take their discussions further.

Talking of taking the discussion further: serious issues were raised at the last open floor hearing but still, at least as of Friday, no recording is available of the meeting. How are local people supposed to know what is being done to them?

I took legal advice after this meeting and I am pleased that this additional hearing has been arranged.

My only question, to which I seek answers from both the exa and applicant, is:

Why does nobody seem genuinely interested in taking residents' views on board beyond that which is required by law?"

Kind regards,

Steff

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## Steffan Aquarone

On Mon, 25 Mar 2019 at 20:12, Steffan Aquarone

wrote:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find, attached, my written submission following my verbal representation this evening.

I trust this will be accepted as a relevant representation by the Examining Authority. Could you kindly confirm this upon receipt.

Warm wishes,

Steff

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Steffan Aquarone