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Dear planning inspectorate,

As you may be aware I have submitted numerous objections over the last few years on behalf of Fordham Parish Council, Fordham Local History Society and Colchester Archaeological Group regarding National Grid's (NG) plans to decimate our heritage and landscape with their pylon plans.

Regarding geophysical work carried out by NG, I have recently viewed their published results.

They have, in fact, surveyed the area around our dig site but not over it or in the woodland to its east as previously shown. The results clearly confirm what I have been saying from the start so the moving of pylons 47 & 48 is justified.

However my warnings over the cable sealing end station south of Horkesley have been ignored, it is sited actually on top of a significant Roman site (a Roman burial urn was found during trial trenching). See NG's result attached.

Comparing those results to our sites suggests that it is bigger and more complex than ours and likely nationally important. It needs protecting!

I was at a meeting with [REDACTED] recently when a couple of things were mentioned:

Apparently NG claim that there are no large species of birds in the Colne valley. Having been working in it for years I can say that NG's statement is wildly incorrect.

There are bustards, red tailed kites, sparrow hawks, kestrels and Barn owls all frequently seen or nesting there.

There is also a large flock of Brent geese that live on the reservoir just a little north east of our site and regularly fly around the valley to and from the river area.

We also have rarer visitors such as egrets.

Climate change has presented us with increased challenges and it has been found that overhead high voltage cables have been the cause of wild fires on the continent.

As we have increasing temperatures and droughts, an offshore grid is a much more secure option.

Regards Mike Hamilton-Macy.

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