

Online Comment

Application H04-0823-17
Location Ing Drove Donington
Proposal Installation of high voltage Direct Current cables for the Viking Link interconnector project between proposed landfall at Boygriff in East Lindsey to a proposed converter station at North Ing Drove; installation of Alternative Current cables from the converter station to the existing Bicker Fen 400 kV Substation; as well as permanent access road to converter station, temporary facilities required during construction such as compounds and works areas

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For/Against Objections

Donington Parish Council, and the residents of Donington, find it incredulous that underground cables are to be brought from wind turbines in the North Sea so many miles to yet more infrastructure in Lincolnshire.

The PC are disappointed that, despite public consultation preferring the contextual style for the building, the application is submitted with the functional style, noting that South Holland District Council also went against public consultation. In a farming community it would be more acceptable to have a barn style building, particularly considering the height, rather than a blue and white monstrosity. This will be the highest building in the area despite the size of the new commercial building at Bicker Bar. They are sure that if a local farmer put in an application for a farming unit this size it would not be approved at this height. As in many applications the PC are not sure if the planning department have visited the site and appreciate how close it is to neighbouring properties.

It is felt that the fencing to the A standard access road should not be solid but more open to allow wildlife to still have their freedom in the Northorpe. It would also be preferred for it to be a temporary fence, to be removed after construction. Farmers will be very inconvenienced during the construction without this continuing permanently.

There are concerns that the routing of the cables have no regard to the direction of the drainage systems in the fields which will render some fields unusable afterwards.