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**Subject:** KCC Update on Works in Pegwell Bay Country Park

Dear Kate,

I'm writing to inform you that KCC may reserve the right to attend the second CAH on the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019. There is a short update below to inform of our recent work with Vattenfall Wind Power Ltd.


Kent County Council have been in discussions with Vattenfall on many of the issues affecting the site. The land owned by KCC (Pegwell Bay Country Park) is a sensitive and designated National Nature Reserve. Unfortunately, beneath the surface is also a former landfill site. Excavations on this site proposed by Vattenfall present an obvious risk to Vattenfall and KCC as landowner, as well as the public who frequently use the Nature Reserve and Country Park and will continue to do so during the works. It is these issues that we have asked Vattenfall to address in detail now, rather than at a later stage. Reliance by Vattenfall on the non-detailed overarching Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) does not fully set out the methodology for the dealing with excavated material, for example. The CoCP does recognise the existence of the Closed Landfill site and the need for survey works prior to main works commencement is welcomed. However, the excavation of trial pits also presents a risk to the landowner and a methodology is expected by KCC.

KCC have also asked Vattenfall for information relating to indemnification from the costs incurred from any future contamination and also commentary on contaminated land gas leachate vis a vis installed electricity cables. The site is open to the public and KCC's concerns are reasonable.

The increase in traffic caused by the Scheme is predicted to be Major on Sandwich Road and therefore assumed to be major within the publicly accessed Pegwell Bay Country Park also (Document 6.3.8/Environmental Statement Volume 3/Chapter 8 Traffic and Access - 8.11.42 to 8.11.53). It is not obvious to KCC how such large increases in traffic will be dealt with within the Country Park and Nature Reserve with the Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) being a document to be submitted post consent (Document 6.3.8 – 8.9.1). As above, this could be dealt with as a pre-commencement condition.

Kind regards  
Hannah

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