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Subject: Objection to Aquind plans for Portsmouth
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Dear staff,

I want to object in the strongest possible terms to the Aquind plans for the following reasons:

- 1) Lack of clarity and specificity from Aquind and overly-complicated/technical, ever-changing plans. i.e. Allotment plots weren't being affected and now they are at risk of being cleared with trees removed and sheds etc being knocked down. It seems that they are being intentionally vague. We are not legally trained and it is difficult to understand what is happening to us here in Milton.
- 2) If this goes ahead the affect on wildlife, pollution/traffic levels in the surrounding area and physical and mental wellbeing are likely to be hugely negatively affected.
- 3) During a pandemic (and possibly future spikes/pandemics), it is a terrible idea to invade one of the few green spaces and places where people are allowed to safely meet. This on top of it being a terrible idea to remove green spaces in an already over-developed city.
- 4) It is morally bankrupt to impact on so many people's lives (many elderly or with disabilities) without any clear and full consultation or any efforts made to help find substitute ways to enable access to outside space.
- 5) There are other route options that have less impact on the people. The environmental awakening of society shows that longer term planning for the health of the planet and the people are needed. Other routes may be slightly more financially costly but the harm caused by current plans will be devastating.
- 6) The potential removal of the community allotment which falls in the purple zone is completely unacceptable given that (already disadvantaged), sections of the community depend on it for independent living skills, respite support and personal development.

Thank you for reading this and considering our views.

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