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To: Aquind Interconnector
Subject: Aquind Plans
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Dear staff,

I want to object in the strongest possible terms about 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, so they do what they like. We are not legally trained, and it is difficult to understand what is happening to us

2) If this goes ahead the effect on wildlife, pollution/traffic levels in the surrounding area and physical and mental wellbeing may be catastrophic. Have risk assessments been undertaken to identify the effect of such plans?

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 can safely meet. It is further 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 the elderly or those with disabilities) in this way I'm afraid it's a case of a big corporation appearing to bully allotment holders and our community.

5) There are other route options that have less impact even though they might affect profit!

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 and is a valuable resource in these unique times.

Thank you for your time.

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