From: [redacted]
To: Aquind Interconnector
Subject: Objection to the Aquind interconnector
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Dear staff,
As a resident of Milton, Portsmouth, I want to object in the strongest possible terms about the Aquind Connector project 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. It is very difficult for our local community to understand what is under proposal to happen to our area.

2) If this goes ahead, the affect on wildlife, pollution/traffic levels in the surrounding area and physical and mental wellbeing may be catastrophic.

3) During this ongoing pandemic, this is one of the few green spaces and places where local people can safely meet. To invade this area that provides for both physical and mental well-being, in a city that is so densely populated, with a huge amount of people having little or no private garden space is unthinkable. It is a horrific proposal to remove green spaces in our already over-developed city.

4) It is morally bankrupt to impact on so many people's lives (many elderly or with disabilities) in this way. It is evident that this is a case of a big corporation bullying local allotment holders and our community.

5) There are other route options that have less impact that do not appear to have been fully considered or worked up as far as this option.

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 your time.

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