From:
To: Aquind Interconnector
Subject: Aquind pipeline Portsmouth
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## Dear Sir / Madam

I would like to object to the above as follows:

- 1. The UK should aim to be self sufficient in sustainable environmentally acceptable power.
- 2. Minimising consumption should be at the forefront of future development. I feel a lot more could be done in that respect.
- 3. Portsmouth is a highly densely populated city with very little recreational or aesthetically pleasing space. This project threatens this.
- 4. This comes at a time when the city council is proposing major development and on the whole local residents are becoming overloaded with changes and disruption.
- 5. The new sea defences will see large areas disrupted in the coming months and just as things begin to settle down Aquind will cause further disruption.
- 6. There are strong concerns for local wild life, particularly migrant birds.
- 7. The commute to work for a large portion of the population is down the Eastern Road and just one short lane closure causes chaos. With this project we could see months of diversions and road closures.
- 8. I am extremely concerned for the allotments at Milton. The area has families going back generations and traditions are still maintained, not least of which are the family allotments. These spaces have evolved mostly within tight budgets over a long time and for many compensation won't help.
- 9. Since the original consultation, I am not aware of there being further consultation to discuss the final plan or explain exactly what it means.
- 10. The key to the plan does not explain what eg 'Access' means, or what the other coloured shaded areas mean exactly. Is access across these areas needed indefinitely? Would the allotments be re-instated? What is the actual line of the cable? When all this is over, what can be seen above ground? How frequently will the cable or its ancillary equipment need maintaining and what disruption will this cause going forward? I tried to find answers from the 100+ documents on your web-site but failed.
- 11. I think Portsmouth City Council gave a figure of about £25,000 per acre, which didn't mean much to me. What do Aquind pay to the city for the rights they will need to the land? Will there be compensation for any default on their part?
- 12. Is there going to be a prescribed timeframe for the works to take place, or are most of my local walks going to be blocked for months and months?

I hope these points are taken into consideration and that this is not just a paper exercise by the Planning Inspectorate, as I think representatives need to come to the area to fully understand.

Yours faithfully Veronica Knight