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**For the attention of Nick McGuckin – AQUIND Interceptor Project Manager - WSP**

Dear Sirs

Further to your Public Exhibition on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at the Drayton Centre and discussing the issues I have regarding the proposed cables in Farlington Avenue with your representative [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer), I have decided due to the of lack of formal response to my previous communications I now need to record in writing what was discussed. (See attached).

Your lack of response to my questions I find very worrying and I am increasingly worried about the stress it is causing my wife.

I await your response with interest.

Your faithfully

[REDACTED]

James Veryard

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Aquind – Discussion with [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019

I stated I still had not had a reply to my communication dated 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 and 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019, even though I had been assured by [REDACTED] (WSP/Aquind – Tel: 02030572101) that the Project Team were going to respond. I find this very worrying. [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) stated he would investigate the non-response.

Our bedrooms are [REDACTED] from the cable ([REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]).

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to help control chronic pain due to [REDACTED]. This device is very sensitive to Electro Magnetic Fields, which cause strong surges of power within the spine from the stimulator and can in some cases activate the stimulator even when turned off. Electro Magnetic fields can cause serious patient injury and can damage the device. [REDACTED] needs to be extremely careful around fridges, lifts and even around hair dryers, to name but a few.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED], the device is also very sensitive to magnetic fields they can deliver unintended electrical energy capable of causing injury even if the system is turned off.

Regarding the above medical devices [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) stated they would need to investigate urgently, but he did state that the current is DC (direct current) rather than AC (alternating current) which is better than AC as it produces far less magnetic field. – [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) emailed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (WSP/Aquind – Tel: 02030572101) there and then to request that he should be allowed to contact me to enable him to obtain the specification of [REDACTED] device so he could ascertain whether Aquinds cable would cause issue – Aquind would then issue written assurances (be certain beyond all doubt) that [REDACTED] would be safe.

As Aquind has no prior knowledge at all of these medical devices your assurances will only be theoretical and [REDACTED] will be a human guinea pig.

[REDACTED] is very noise sensitive, as the cables will only be [REDACTED] away would there be any noise (hum) as from overhead high voltage power cables. [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) – assured me that the current was direct current (DC) and there is no noise. Note: Initially on speaking to your representative [REDACTED] prior to speaking to [REDACTED] (Engineer) seemed to confirm yes there is noise.

I stated there could be a possible negative effect on property prices adjacent to the cables and when selling property in the area it may be blighted by the Aquinds proposals. [REDACTED] (Engineer) asked how do I know this? I stated I would not have purchased our property two years ago if I had known of Aquinds proposals and that there are articles/research which can easily be found on the internet.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED], I do not want any additional risk being introduced to her environment which could cause issues again, however small. [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) – Stated he would be happy for these cables to run under his bed.

I stated I had read that high voltage underground cables can produce higher magnetic fields (energynetworks.org) that overhead lines [REDACTED] (Aquind Engineer) I had been miss informed.

Preferred route was discussed and “Figure 35 Section 5 Option C” would be best from for [REDACTED] safety and from an engineering point of view (straight line & few services).

## Dear patient,

You must alert all of your health care providers that **Deep Brain Stimulators are in place**. When exposed to some electromagnetic fields the Deep Brain Stimulator can carry unintended electrical energy capable of causing injury, even if the system is turned off.

It is also necessary to **turn off** the Deep Brain Stimulator for some routine medical tests such as electrocardiograms (ECG) and an electroencephalogram (EEG).

Accordingly patients should bring their DBS patient programmers (for example the Medtronic patient programmer) to turn off their device when they come into hospital or clinic if required. Patients should also take the programmer when they go on holiday, particularly if abroad.

### Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Once any DBS device component(s) have been implanted you should not have an MRI without Consultation with your implantation centre. If any MRI of the head (brain) is required, then it should be performed only at an imaging centre that is able to perform the scans using specified protocols.

### Dentistry

Please inform your dentist of your DBS implant. Due to an increased risk of intracranial infection, prophylactic antibiotics would be advisable in the event of proposed dental surgery.

### Mammograms

A mammogram is perfectly safe to have with a Deep Brain Stimulator in situ.

### Physical activity

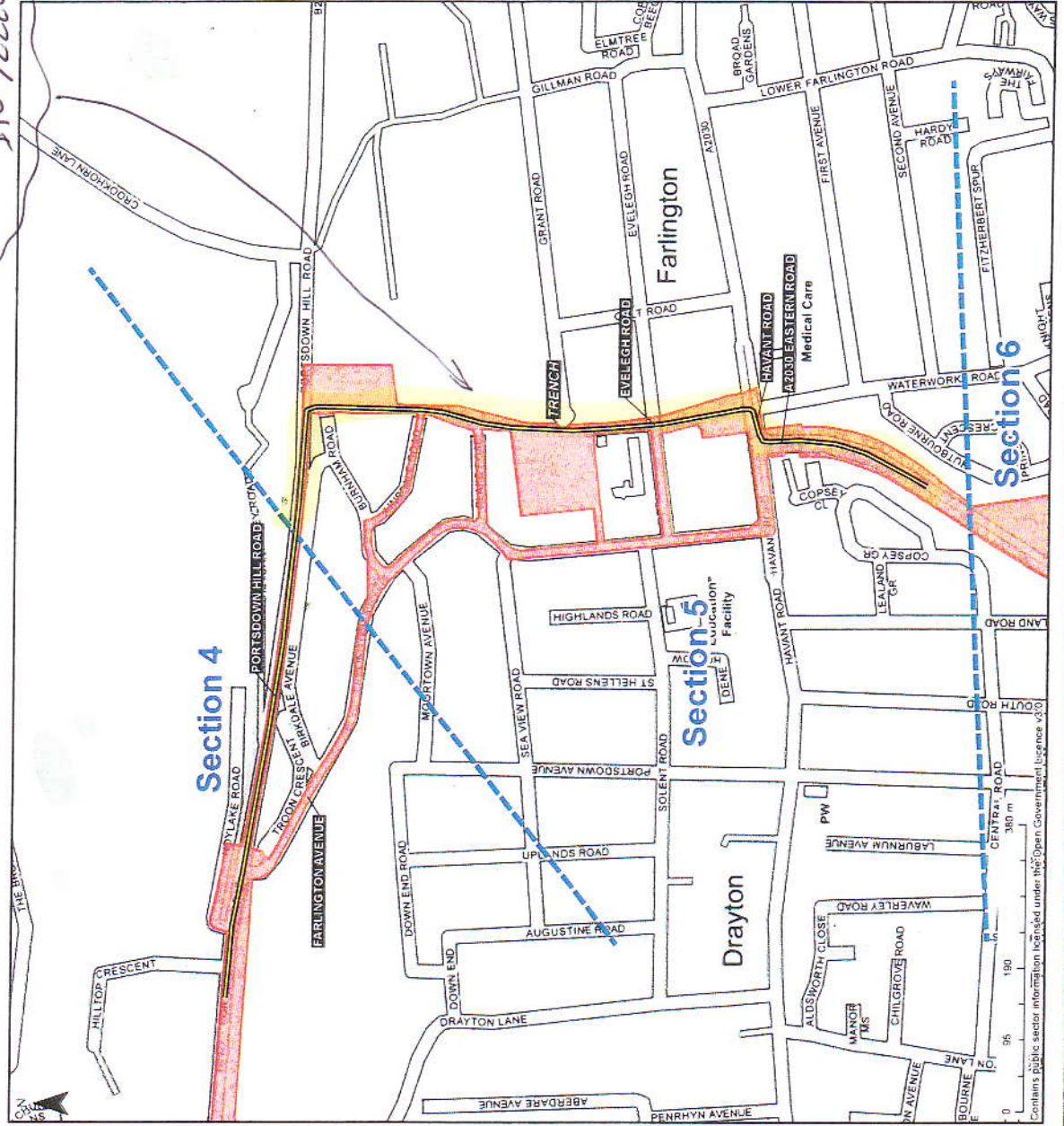
After incisions have healed it is ok to perform all physical activities except for those that may result in repeated blows to the device such as boxing and wear helmets for those sports you would routinely wear a helmet for such as cycling, skiing, snowboarding and horse riding.

### 3.6 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED HVDC CABLE ROUTE AND OPTIONS



*BEST ROUTE*  
*CABLE MARKED IN YELLOW*

FIGURE 35 SECTION 5 OPTION C



#### OPTION 5C PORTSDOWN HILL ROAD

This option is proposed to present a means of avoiding Farlington Avenue altogether. The proposed cable corridor would remain in Portsdown Hill Road heading east, until running southwards through the field between Portsdown Hill Road and the covered reservoir, the edge of the recreation ground, the grassed strip and then via Havant Road to Eastern Road.

This option however involves trenching through a significant length of a busy major road and also adds to the cable lengths required.

It is currently anticipated that as a worst case full road closures would be required for approximately 30 days per circuit on Portsdown Hill Road east of the junction with Farlington Avenue.

It is currently estimated that the worst case traffic disruption for this option would be approximately:

- A2030 Eastern Road (between Havant Road and Zetland Field) – 30 days full closure

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