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To: Aquind Interconnector
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**Subject:** Aquind Development Consent Order Application

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Attachments: 120821 Denmead Parish Council - Aquind Application.pdf

## Good afternoon

Please find attached a letter of objection from Denmead Parish Council.

Kind regards

Paula

Paula Langford-Smith Chairman

Denmead Parish Council

## **DENMEAD PARISH COUNCIL**



The Old School, School Lane, Denmead, Waterlooville, Hampshire, PO7 6LU Tel: 02392 247 947

Secretary of State for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy 1 Victoria Street London SW1H 0ET United Kingdom

12th August 2021

Dear Sir,

## Re: Aquind Interconnector, Denmead, Hampshire

With regards to the application from Aquind to site a converter station in Denmead, I write to make representation of the Parish's objection. Despite many representations to Aquind themselves, there will be no benefit whatsoever for the people of Denmead.

The impact of the huge structure in our beautiful countryside will ensure a significant blot on the landscape, and there have been no details provided to decommission the structure and return the site to it's current beauty. The proposed siting (Option Bi) of the converter station ensures the destruction of species rich hedgerow and the proposed planting in mitigation will take decades to be of any significance.

There will be enormous disruption to our residents whilst the cables are laid, again with no benefit provided to Denmead.

All of the other interconnectors that have been granted permission have been located in industrial locations, not in pristine countryside. If granted permission, this will create a brownfield site right next to a National Park.

This application is in direct opposition of Councils planning policies to promote the conservation or enhancement of trees and hedgerows that contribute to local distinctiveness. It will have unacceptable effects on the ecosystem and landscape character (Policy DM17) and will have an unacceptable impact on the rural character of the area (Policy DM23).

We respectfully request that you refuse this application.

Yours Sincerely

Paula Langford-Smith
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