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**Sent:** 18 March 2023 19:31  
**To:** Aquind Interconnector  
**Subject:** Objection to the Aquind interconnector

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Dear Planners,

I'm writing to object to proposed plans to place the Aquind interconnection across my home city of Portsmouth.

My objections are for the following reasons:

This project will cause the destruction of our wonderful wildlife habitat -Milton common. Portsmouth is already a highly polluted city - these green spaces are essential to our well being.

It will cause gridlock along Eastern Rd, adding to the pollution in our densely populated city. There are only 3 roads into the city and blocking one off will have a detrimental impact on our environment and wellbeing. It is already the 4th most congested city in the UK. Our children deserve to be able to breathe clean air.

Without a doubt, there will be a disturbance to the marine habitat in the harbour, as well as interference to the allotments and it's amazing wildlife habitat.

It is also likely that toxic waste on Milton Common will be exposed.

Milton common is home to migratory birds and is one of the last green spaces of the city that residents can go to to witness such amazing sights. I find it hard to believe mankind are planning to destroy these vital areas.

Our French neighbours are also rejecting this project. Please also reject this project. I understand that 14 different mayors covering the proposed route of the Aquind interconnector are against this project.

Please consider the effect the pollution caused will have on our health and the natural environment of Portsmouth. We are also concerned about the effects of Electromagnetic Field Emmissions near people's homes and what this will do to their mental well-being.

I understand there is a proposal to temporarily closed the playing fields used by 100s of our young people. These playing fields are essential to our youth especially after everything they went through during the pandemic.

I am also very interested to find out why so many donations have been given by Aquind and / or its owner to the Conservative Party and MPs? I believe this is around 1.5 million?! Are they paying the Conservative Party to agree to this project? Surely this is completely unethical? I hope I am wrong?

I respectfully urge you the refuse these plans. There must be other options.

Kind regards

Megan Palamidas

(Resident of Portsmouth, parent to 2 children growing up in this already polluted environment)

Sent from my iPhone