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Dear Jake,

We have just been informed by a local Councillor that since the closure of the examination process and consequent consideration by the SoS , the following change of circumstance has occurred

"An issue has arisen regarding the Ladybridge roundabout on the A3 at Purbrook. Work is currently required to modify this to provide new access to the West of Waterlooville development.

However, a twin concrete culvert runs directly underneath the roundabout and Hampshire Highways have insisted that as part of the work the culverts are replaced in their entirety.

Although surveys carried out do not support the need for this with regard to the modifications, they also indicate that if Aquind are allowed to instal their cables, the weight of these as they cross over the culverts would exceed their ability to remain intact.

The previous exploratory work also showed that, in order to replace the culverts, the whole of the roundabout would have to be excavated completely in order to allow installation of twin coffer dams to contain the stream and this in turn would require that all services passing through would have to be rerouted, including high and low voltage electricity, low and high pressure gas, communications and the main sewer which would require a temporary pumping station. This would entail complete and permanent closure for the period of the work of both sections of the A3, Ladybridge Road and also Purbrook Heath Road which is the access to the Rowans Hospice.

The minimal time estimate for the closure is at least a year.

In addition to the major disruption to traffic flows it would mean that the timetable currently being presented by Aquind could not be met and work would have to halt for this period."

The current SoS might wish to be informed of this prior to decision.
Please could you make sure this is included in the project' s documentation as a submission by Let' s Stop Aquind or/ and myself.
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