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From: Secretary Of State (Grant Shapps) <Secretary.State@energysecurity.gov.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 12:12 PM
To: BEIS Correspondence <BEIScorrespondence@beis.gov.uk>
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Hi team,

Please log for TO response.

Thanks,



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Dear Mr Shapps

As a resident of Portsmouth I would implore you to reject Aquind's appeal to build a connector through Portsmouth.

The application was already refused by one of your parliamentary colleagues and nothing has changed since this decision was made.

The connector would be absolutely catastrophic for the city and for parts of Hampshire. It

would entail years of severe disruption during its construction and the building work would inevitably disturb dangerous chemicals in the ground such as asbestos. The route of the connector would take it via the shoreline, northwards through residential areas, allotments and recreational parks of which we have very few of Portsmouth.

It would entail closing for years one of the three main arterial roads which connect the city with the mainland which would in turn cause a huge increase in fumes and pollution on the two remaining access roads.

The construction of the connector I believe would save families potentially an average of just over £3.00 a year in energy costs. This sum is tiny in comparison to the damage and devastation to the city.

Aquind's plans are opposed by all political parties: Stephen Morgan MP, Penny Mordaunt MP, Flick Drummond MP and the leader of Portsmouth City Council, Gerald Vernon-Jackson. It is rare to find such cross-party unity and strength of opposition and this is a real reflection of how residents in Portsmouth feel.

Please, I implore you, uphold the previous decision made by your colleague for the good of our city, its residents, the environment and our health.

Kind regards

Lizzie Norland

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