From: Sandra Lemon

To: Aquind Interconnector

Subject: Destroyeeth

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Dear Inspector,

I am writing to express my concerned over the proposal to allow the marine and underground high voltage inter-connector through our city (Aquind). The planned route would cause untold misery from the beach at Eastney up to Lovedean. The company is suggesting that they lay the pipes through Milton Common, an area of reclaimed land that was the Langstone Harbour mudflats known as Milton Lake, the land was reclaimed as a landfill site between 1962-1970, using everything from domestic refuse and building rubble to old cars and water tanks By 1974 it had been capped, grassed over and in the succeeding years nature has been allowed to move in leading to a surprising diversity of wildlife and is classified as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC). There is also a great variety of flora and fauna on the site. To disturb this fragile ecosystem would be distressing given that this government has signed up to the net zero strategy and this area is import to that.

I have concentrated on the importance of not disturbing the SINC although the thought of the damage to the city by this unnecessary ego venture to add to the funding of a Tory party donor's wealth doesn't bear thinking about but I realise that those in power do not care if their constituents are inconvenienced and of course Portsmouth currently has a Labour MP.

I hope that you will consider the environmental effect this project would have and reject the application.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,
Sandra Lemon,