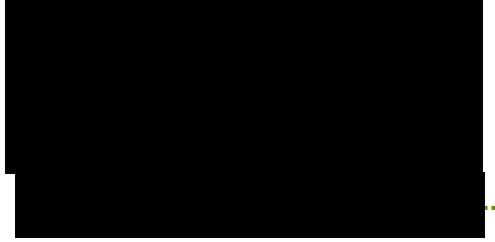


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*Town & Country Planning Act 1990: Section 247
Proposed stopping up of Highway at Princes Parade, Folkestone CT21 6AQ
OS Grid ref; E:618281, N: 134781*

We write to formally object to the Order for the following reasons.

- 1. All the reasons for the highway to be built where it is still hold good.*
- 2. Realigning the road will result in the huge loss of amenity for the General Public as the road currently provides access to approximately 1.5 miles of the sea shore with safe parking. Anglers transport heavy equipment to the beach to carry out their hobby, Mums can take their children safely to the shore for some fresh air after school and during the holidays. Less active and disabled people can sit in their cars; admire the sea views and take in the sea air.*
- 3. The rerouting of the road only 13 meters alongside the Royal Military Canal will destroy the peace and tranquillity so many of us enjoy whilst walking along its banks.*
- 4. The canal bank is also currently home to a diversity of nature and the traffic noise and pollution will have an adverse effect destroying their habitat.*

5. *Princes Parade is a safe, straight road that many of us use when traffic is heavy on the parallel A 259. The proposed realignment will result in increased traffic flow on the A 259 as will new housing developments planned along its route.*
6. *The loss of parking spaces, at the very least 60 cars, will put even more pressure on the surrounding residential roads.*
7. *Due to the unsuitability of the land the council proposes to build on at Princes Parade, the development could take a number of years resulting in the complete loss of an alternative to the A259 for that time.*

In summary we strongly believe that our environment, happiness, safety and wellbeing will suffer for all the above reasons if the stopping up of Princes Parade goes ahead and we beg you to use your powers to turn it aside.

Yours sincerely

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