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To: Caroline Williams, Programme Officer

I wish to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposal by Folkestone and Hythe District Council to stop up and divert part of Princes Parade from its existing position to a new route running behind the proposed new development.

The reason for this proposal is quite obvious. Councillor Monk and Folkestone and Hythe District Council have consistently demonstrated by their actions that they have no regard for objections from the local community or environmental issues. In this case the only reason for stopping up and diverting Princes Parade is to maximise the amount of profit that the Council can make from the development. Obviously if there is no road between the proposed development and the sea Folkestone & Hythe Council can charge a higher asking price for each property.

There is no other logical reason for this proposal. Furthermore the stopping up and diversion will have a detrimental effect on the Royal Military Canal, which is a Scheduled Ancient Monument. Folkestone & Hythe Council's naked profit motive has been put above this consideration. Furthermore many of the issues raised by the public and Councillor Rory Love about the proposed stopping up, relocation, and traffic calming of Princes Parade and their impact on the wider local road network were neither answered nor even addressed at the planning application stage. In addition I believe that the errors, misrepresentations, and avoidance of the issues in the report commissioned by Folkestone & Hythe District Council in response to the objections to the Stopping Up Order was an attempt to cover up the weakness in the case for the stopping up and diversion of Princes Parade. There is a definite issue of trust in Folkestone & Hythe Council and its motives and therefore I welcome the local public inquiry in the interests of transparency as it will take consideration of the objections out of the hands of the Council.

I am a local resident, living at ████████████████████ Therefore the proposal directly affects me and impacts detrimentally on the local environment and my enjoyment of it.

I have been advised that the public can submit objections to the stopping up and diversion of Princes Parade to you and that you will pass them to the Department of Transport and Folkestone & Hythe District Council. Therefore I trust that you will forward my email accordingly.

David Stokes