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Subject: Princes Parade Road

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Dear Ms Williams,
Programme Officer.

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

I am writing to formally object to the Order for the following reasons.

1. All the reasons for the highway to be built where it is are still valid.
2. Realigning the road will cause a huge loss of amenity for the Public as the road as is currently provides access to 1.5 miles of the sea shore with safe parking. Fishermen carry heavy equipment down to the beach, mums and dads can take their children safely to the shore after school and at weekend whilst less active and disabled people can sit in their cars, admire the sea views and enjoy the salt air.
3. The rerouting of the road only 13 meters alongside the Royal Military Canal will destroy the peace and serenity that the public can enjoy whilst on a walk.
4. The canal bank is currently home to a diversity of nature and the traffic noise and pollution will have an adverse effect destroying their natural habitat and causing them to move away at a time when we are being asked to promote and care for our natural wildlife.
5. Princes Parade is a safe, straight road that many of us use as an alternative when traffic on the A 259 is particularly heavy so the proposed change, plus the new housing developments planned along its route, will cause heavier traffic flow on an already busy A 259.

6. The loss of parking spaces, at the very least 60 cars, will put even more pressure on the surrounding residential streets as parking, particularly during the tourist season, is very difficult already.

7. Due to the unsuitability of the land the council proposes to build on at Princes Parade, the development will probably take a number of years meaning a lack of any alternative for traffic on an already very busy A259 for that period of time.

Summing up I strongly believe that the environment and personal happiness and wellbeing of the local people will suffer for all the above reasons if the stopping up of Princes Parade goes ahead and I would ask that you use your powers to prevent this from happening.

Yours sincerely

Gloria Parkin