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Re: NATTRAN/SE/S247/3254

To whom it may concern,  
re the Stop order of re-routing Princes Parade, Hythe.

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object to the proposal to reroute the Princes Parade Coast road from Hythe Seafront to run alongside the Heritage status Royal Military Hythe Canal. The tranquility of this unique Promenade is also about to be destroyed with the plan to build 150 Homes, Leisure Centre, Hotel and commercial properties.

World opinion is increasingly reinforcing the importance of such valuable green open spaces and recreational areas, as well as conserving endangered wildlife for which the area is so well known. The past 18 months especially, have seen greater numbers of visitors, gaining therapeutic value through exercise and spiritual isolation, this will be shattered by the loss of such a treasured well used Canal Footpath and it's unique historic habitat.

Surveys have established the wide variety of animal/bird and insect species, many of which are already under threat. The FHDC Officers have already shockingly demonstrated their contempt for the area, by illegally cutting down hundreds of trees during Feb/March this year, the "Closed season for the protection of Wildlife, as described under the Wildlife and Countryside Act". This criminal action itself deserves to be fully investigated.

Plans are already underway to create in excess of 14,000 new homes in the FHDC district, making the value and conservation of Hythe's seafront more important than ever, both for residents and the increasing numbers of Tourists. Many coastal properties in the area have also been proven to be secondary residences, many of which stay empty for long periods. This worrying trend is already proving to be unsustainable for the benefit of local expanding family growth.

It would also be irresponsible of the Planning Departments not to consider the increasing chaos of traffic flow along the main arterial coast road and narrow side streets. Off street parking is becoming a major social issue, regularly illustrated by disturbing confrontations of road users, many of whom understandably have no authorised parking facilities.

I would therefore request that you fully support the cancellation of this questionable development in favour of the cheaper alternative well away from our already threatened coastal strip of land.

Yours sincerely

Derek Budd