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FAO Caroline Williams

Dear Caroline Williams,

I attach a witness statement and am happy to speak and to be cross examined.

My Name is Dr Peter Sander and I live at [REDACTED].

I was a family doctor in Dorset and retired to Hythe in 2006. One of the reasons for our choice was that my older sister and her husband lived and still live here. Within 5 years all three of our grown up children had moved from London and Cardiff to within 4 miles of our Hythe home and have stayed here since. We have four grandchildren at local schools aged between 4 and 12.

Of course I have car but I choose to walk and cycle locally, when shopping, when seeing my children and grandchildren and I regularly use the military canal path - one of Hythe and Seabrook' endearing features, not least because it is a haven for nature. My daughter's and my sister's dogs I are exercised daily along this path.

I saw my first ever Kingfishers on this path and continue occasionally to do so. Every day is different - and health giving.

I was diagnosed with a serious Cancer with secondary deposits in 2013 and given two years to live.

Due to a devoted surgeon who operated for 8 hours and a little later a full course chemotherapy I beat the statistical odds and am alive and well at 74.

On my doctors advice, especially during mobilisation and coping with the horrors of chemotherapy, daily walks in the peace and beauty of nature's wonders alongside the Military canal were instrumental in my recovery.

Deliberately planning to put the busy A259 traffic alongside this canal path will I believe be seriously deleterious to our family's quality of lives, and that of all local residents.

The re-routing of this road must, please, not be permitted to go ahead, for the sake of all local resident's health and well-being.

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