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To: Programme Officer < Programme. Officer@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk >

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Subject: Road closure Princes Parade

Hi Caroline,

In the light of the new road being proposed and the sea road being shut off and taken out of public use. I would like to object strongly.

I believe it will cause a major road blockage for the whole of Hythe, Seabrook, and Sandgate area. Not only for those living in these areas but for emergency services needing access to the them too.

It will cause a total mess for these coastal communities, including Dymchurch and New Romney. If the sea road were to taken away, the main Seabrook road will become backed up with traffic due to the nature of the narrowing in places and parking along the road, causing major flow problems.

It will simply clog up, as it was not designed with the amount of traffic already on the roads, especially if it is to become the sole through road.

And with more traffic due to the new housing estate and incoming visitors to this new tourist area proposed, it will surely break the camels back. No one will be able to move for parked cars. The whole area will become grid locked.

And with little care or thought to the very constituents councillors are meant to represent, is an arrogant disregard for the communities already living and working in these areas.

It is a public violation. No one outside the council has been consulted or included in this decision to permanently shut the coastal road.

I cannot understand why a vital artery that is used by all, every day can be just got rid of.

Frankly it is absurd and wrong that the local community have not been allowed to have their say. Surely we have a right to be heard, as we are all council tax payers.

And to plow ahead regardless, as was happening and without the correct legalities in place, is frankly criminal.

Please could you let me know how and where I should lodge my opposition to the shutting of the coastal road at Princes Parade?

Many thanks and Kind regards

Kerrie Macdonald