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Dear Katherine,



## RE: Land at Folkstone Harbour – Natural England Initial Response

Many thanks for sending through the comments from Natural England regarding the proposed site. Please accept this letter as my response to Natural England at this time and I am happy for you to forward this on to the relevant party.

We are aware of Folkstone Warren and Folkstone to Etchinghill Escarpment (SSSI and SAC), which were both identified during the initial Phase 1 process.

Within the EIA we will be assessing both the direct and indirect effects that this proposal will have on these protected areas, especially considering the recreational pressure increase on these sites. We will be working with the master planners and landscape architects to create a rich local landscape within the scheme as part of this process. We will also be working with the team to ensure biodiversity enhancements are incorporated within the design proposals.

We acknowledge the concerns raised and look forward to working with the team, including Natural England, to ensure such issues are addressed.

If you have any questions or queries then please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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