From: Sally Chesters [mailto Sent: 06 June 2018 23:37 To: NATIONALCASEWORK <NATIONALCASEWORK@dft.gov.uk> Subject: ReferenceNATTRAN/SE/S247/3254

Dear Sirs,

I write with reference to the above 'Stopping up and diversion of highways' application by Shepway District Council (now re-named Folkestone and Hythe District Council).

I object to the application on the following grounds:

1. The re-routing of Princes Parade behind the new housing development will deter traffic from using this route from Folkestone to Hythe as it will no longer be a direct route. This will have the effect of transferring considerable numbers of vehicles onto surrounding roads which, especially in summer, are already congested. An already difficult traffic flow problem through Hythe would be exacerbated by the proposal.

2. The re-routing of Princes Parade would have an adverse effect on the setting of the Royal Military Canal, a listed ancient monument. At present, the area south of the canal is rich in wild life and is an area of tranquillity well-used by residents and visitors. The proposal would destroy this.

3. The change is not necessary for access to the proposed housing development on Princes Parade. The existing road is adequate. Safe access across the road can be achieved by other means.

4. Princes Parade is well-used by fishermen and families who require parking as close to the beach as possible to enable them to unload equipment and necessities for a day on the beach. To be required to park at a distance is likely to deter them from using this stretch of beach and may have the effect of turning it into a 'private beach' for use by residents of the new development only. This is not desirable.

5. Princes Parade provides a substantial number of parking spaces for beach-users. The rerouted road will provide far fewer parking spaces than at present which is a concern as parking is already in short supply.

Thank you for considering my objections.

Yours faithfully

Sally Chesters

