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Subject: ref: NATTRAN/SE/S247/3254 re: proposed closure of Princes Parade, Hythe to through

traffic

Dear Sirs.

I wish to formally lodge my opposition to any scheme that would involve the closure of Princes Parade in Hythe to vehicle access! Hythe has already been over-pedestrianised as it is!

At this rate it will become a 'drive through only' town which is of absolutely no benefit to anyone. Especially not the traders in the area that rely, to some extent, on outside visitors for their livelihood. I strongly object to the councils' miss-use of public funds to not only install parking meters and miles of white painted parking bays but also to come up with the ludicrous plan of re-routing an entire new road along the bank of the military canal - thus spoiling yet another very special feature of our lovely town centre.

These parking restrictions have already effectively put a 'tax' on nearly every seafront view from the comfort of a car. To hear that you now propose to use the profits from this 'tax' to close the seafront off to cars and use it to build an un-necessary new road is beyond belief.

I, for one, would love to have a complete breakdown of exactly what you are using the revenue from the parking restrictions for! As far as I can tell, its not for the benefit of the community as a whole - such as more help for the elderly - instead we get more and more council cut backs! It is an insult to GIFT this road space to rich development companies who will only be lining their own pockets - WITH OUR MONEY - gifted to them by YOU!

It is fundamentally wrong to strip the inhabitants and visitors of the use of this now almost unique experience of being able to DRIVE to an unspoilt beech front and just admire the view - in our car- be it rain or shine. After all, not everyone is able to walk everywhere. Families with small children, the elderly and infirmed would all be excluded from this plan.

The seafront is already partially pedestrianised and if people want to walk, run or cycle we already have miles of perfectly adequate promenade on which to do so.

Please leave Princes Parade - and for that matter, all other roads in hythe - alone and well maintained for posterity!

If you are in any doubt as to the strength of bad feeling about this proposal - I dare you to have a well publicised public vote! No jargon - just a straight Yes or No! I think you know that the outcome would be an overwhelming NO!

Yours sincerely

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